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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. These references were cited in a an Official Action for a corresponding German Patent Application. Applicants note that enclosed U.S. Patents 6,516,612 B1 and 6,082,100 are the U.S. equivalents of EP 1026382 and EP 0913559 respectively. Copies of the references listed on Form PTO-1449 are attached.

It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, that these references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom, and that an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 be returned to the undersigned.

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	US	6,516,612 B1	2/03	Yokoi et al.	60	301	
	US	6,082,100	7/00	Boegner et al.	60	278	
	US	5,655,362	8/97	Kawajiri et al.	60	276	

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO
	DE	4421 258 A1	12/95	DE (English Abstract)			X	

## OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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